

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



FISCAL NOTE

HB 2900 - SB 3034

March 4, 2012

SUMMARY OF BILL: Prohibits a district attorney general or assistant district attorney general from offering or accepting a plea agreement that permits a defendant charged with domestic assault to plead guilty to a lesser offense.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

Assumptions:

- The proposed bill prohibits a defendant charged with domestic assault from pleading to a lesser offense but it does not prohibit the defendant from pleading guilty to domestic assault.
- Prohibiting pleas to a lesser included offense could result in more defendants proceeding to trial. However, any increase in the caseloads for the District Attorneys General Conference is estimated to be not significant and can be accommodated within existing judicial resources without an increased appropriation or reduced reversion.

CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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